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RIDE-SHARE

Uber gets good grades from bylaw; cabbies not impressed



Haley Ritchie
Metro | Ottawa

Ottawa has 3,000 Uber drivers who have provided 1.4 million trips to residents since September, when the city agreed to allow the ride-sharing company to operate legally.

On Thursday city councillors heard an update from bylaw on how the city is working closely with Uber.

They also heard about grievances from cab drivers still upset with the changes.

"We're looking to council right now to salvage our industry and we do need your help," said Tony Hajjar, a representative from the taxi union, who apologized to the committee.

Hajjar claimed that Uber drivers, including former taxi drivers, are not following the rules. He said Uber drivers have been seen using the areas around taxi stands in the downtown core. He also claimed that Uber drivers have been hailing customers. Both are forbidden by the city.

"There's gonna be a breaking point, and I'm sure you don't want to see our breaking point," Hajjar said. "It's getting so tough on the taxi industry right now we have people who can't pay their insurance."

Chief of bylaw Roger Chapman said officers have been investigating reports of rule breaking, but have only laid eight charges against Uber drivers in the past three months.

None of the charges involved lack of insurance.

Overall, Chapman said, there have been "no significant issues" with the "private transportation company," the term the city uses for companies like Uber. He said Uber has been co-operative in removing drivers who disobey the rules.

The city is working closely with the company, which has shared data on trips and drivers, including their ratings and complaints filed by customers. Bylaw has temporarily hired a data analyst to look at the numbers.

Negotiations about a special fee for accessibility are still taking place.

While Uber is the only PTC currently operating legally in Ottawa, Chapman hinted that other companies could soon follow. A second, local company, whose name was not revealed, is currently being considered.



Uber has an agreement with the Ottawa Airport Authority that allows passengers to be picked up at a designated spot outside arrivals.
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5 COOL THINGS TO DO THIS WEEKEND

Looking for some fun activities to pass the time? Here's a rundown of events being held around Ottawa, from Winterlude and ice dragon boat races to beer and the best of Canadian comedy. **HALEY RITCHIE** METRO



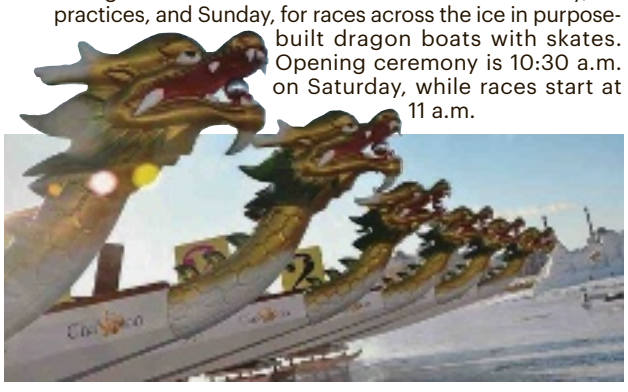
1 Winter Brewfest



Friday to Sunday, taste more than 100 microbrewery beers from across Ontario and Quebec in the Horticulture building at Lansdowne Park. There will be gourmet food, snow taffy, dancing and a bonfire. Tickets are $25 and going fast.

2 Dragon Boats on ice

For the first time in North America, ice dragon boat racing makes its debut. Head to Dow's Lake Saturday, for practices, and Sunday, for races across the ice in purpose-built dragon boats with skates. Opening ceremony is 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, while races start at 11 a.m.



3 Winterlude

It's the last weekend to enjoy Winterlude. Slide the ice slides in Jacques-Cartier Park, listen to 7:30 p.m. concerts in Confederation Park and join in on shinny hockey on the canal.



4 Winter Magic and Maple Harvest

Looking for signs of spring? We're not quite there yet, but Fulton's pancake house is opening for the season this weekend. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on every Saturday, Sunday and Monday from now until April there will be pancakes, syrup, outdoor activities and sleigh rides.



5 Crackup Finale

Ottawa's celebration of Canadian comedy finishes up on Saturday at TD Place with a show from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. CBC's host of Still Standing, Jonny Harris, will emcee the event. Jeremy Hotz headlines. Tickets start at $50.

FAMILY DAY

No day off for federal workers



Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Ottawa

Many Ottawans will be kicking up their feet Monday, but federal civil servants won't be among them.

Ontario's newest statutory holiday isn't recognized by the federal government. So its employees have to show up for work that day.

It's also likely to remain that way: four of the major contracts dealing with public servants, set for ratification, don't include the holiday.

Allison Pilon, a spokesperson for the Public Service Alliance of Canada, confirmed none of the contracts the union is asking its members to ratify will include the holiday.

Pilon said no one from the union was available to discuss the issue further.

Outside Ontario, Family Day is observed in six provinces, in some cases under a different name: British Columbia (though the date there is a week earlier than everywhere else) Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Of course, federal civil servants do enjoy some holidays — Easter Monday and Remembrance Day, for example — that are regular old workdays for most employees in the private sector and in both the provincial and municipal governments.

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Indigenous MPs push for building to be renamed

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Langevin was architect of residential school system



Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Ottawa

Hoping to remove the stain of residential schools from one of Ottawa's most prominent buildings, a group of Indigenous MPs are calling on the government to rename the Langevin Block.

The building, which houses offices for the prime minister, is named after Sir Hector Langevin, who was a father of Confederation, but also an architect of the residential school system.

Several Indigenous MPs signed a letter addressed to Public Services Minister Judy Foote asking her to consider the change.

Independent Nunavut MP Hunter Tootoo said the time has come for the government to remove Langevin's name from the building.



The federal government is facing mounting pressure to change the name of the Langevin Block building, located across the street from Parliament Hill. THE CANADIAN PRESS

"It's in the spirit of reconciliation and goodwill that we ask Minister Foote to seriously consider this request," he said. "We feel this is a compelling social justice reason."

NDP MP Romeo Saganash, who joined in the call with Liberals Don Rusnak and Robert Falcon-Ouellette, is a residential school survivor himself. He said the building is a reminder of that legacy.

"Every day at work I am reminded of the man who dreamed up the schools I was sent to, purposely severed my connection to my family, to my people and to my nation," he said.

He said the government has a lot to do in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's final report, but this is a simple step it could take to improve relations.

"This is an easy ask, you will see it won't even hurt."

All of the MPs said they believe that doing this now, during Canada's 150th birthday year and while the government has said it is committed to improving relations with Indigenous Canadians, would be an important sign.

Saganash said he won't be celebrating Canada Day this year because there is still a tremendous legacy of unfinished work.

"I have never celebrated July 1 in my life," he said. "As every Canadian will probably be partying this year, our kids and our youth continue to take their lives. Our women and girls continue to disappear and get murdered, our people still lack access to running water."

HOMELESSNESS

City asks feds for cash



Haley Ritchie
Metro | Ottawa

The City of Ottawa is asking the federal government to provide more funding to help manage homelessness.

On Thursday the Community and Protective Services Committee directed staff to write a letter that would ask Minister Jean-Yves Duclos of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation to support Ottawa's homelessness strategy with more funding.

"This is the year of housing initiatives and we have a federal government that appears to recognize the urgent need," said Coun. Diane Deans.

The city is seeing an increase of need for affordable housing for youth, single men and women, seniors and families.

The letter outlines the city's expectations around an upcoming funding announcement.

It will ask that the government maintain the current $30 million in funding for existing social housing programs, increase the city's Investing in Affordable Housing funding to $200 million and help address the $22-million worth of outstanding social housing repairs.

STARTUPS

Small businesses do better with digital technology, panel finds

Alex Parsons
For Metro | Ottawa

Dreaming of starting a small business? Make sure your digital skills are up to snuff.

"Advancing digital adoption amongst small businesses in Canada" was the tune of a panel hosted Thursday by the entrepreneurship network Startup Canada, at their Sparks Street offices.

The panel was convened to discuss a Startup Canada study that found that 86 per cent of small business owners surveyed "regard digital technology adoption as extremely or very important to their company's success."

The panel was moderated by James Baxter, iPolitics founder. Among the panelists was Nyla Ahmad, senior VP of enterprise marketing at Rogers Communications, who said that with young startups adopting the digital age so readily, the biggest hurdle stems from size. "With smaller companies, they're just strapped for time," she said. "The irony is that if they made the shift to digital, they would actually free up time."

A local small business owner reinforced that idea. Paul Whitney,managing director of African Bronze Honey Company, an Old-Ottawa South startup that began as a fundraising project in 2012, told Metro that his business relies entirely on its digital presence.



Beer and exercise finally unite

There's a new running group in Ottawa — and it's boozy

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Anyone who has ever raced to get to a brewery before it closed already knows the basics of Ottawa's new group, Run To Beer Ottawa. Participants run together, then drink beer together.

It's much more enjoyable than the reverse.

The first 2017 Ottawa run was held in January at Big Rig Brewery and attracted over 70 runners. The third event saw more than 50 runners brave last weekend's blizzard, with a snowy run ending at Mill St. Brewpub.

It stands to reason that the number will improve as the 613 shakes off its hibernation malaise and as Ottawans look to shed some extra winter layers.



Run to Beer Ottawa participants indulge in a cold one ... in the cold. COURTESY YOGA ON TAP

The brilliantly simple concept has already caught on, despite the cold. Run-group leader Ashley Kokelj is no stranger to combining fitness and beer. She is the force behind Yoga On Tap, and has led bike tours from Ottawa to Beau's Oktoberfest. The running/drinking group meets every couple weeks, each route terminating at a brewery partner or craft-beer bar, where the participants can catch their breath and a pint. These runs welcome runners of all levels and include pace bunnies. Registration is organized through their Facebook group.

This juxtaposition of health and beer was inspired by Run TO, which was started in Toronto. Back in 2014, Dan Grant tweeted that he was going for a 10-km run, ending at a brewery. Folks spontaneously joined in, Forrest Gump like. The group now counts 2,500 plus members. Grant asked Kokelj if she would head the Ottawa chapter. So far so good!

The movement is all about balance. "People need to exercise to stay healthy, but they also want to drink beer because it's delicious and generally involves fun!" Kokelj says. "The truth is that you can drink and be healthy, it's just a matter of moderation and drinking for the right reasons."

Future running events, which can be found on the YogaOnTap.ca calendar, will involve partners like Beau's, the Brewery Market and CRAFT Beer Market. Stay tuned!

HOPPENINGS

- Speaking of fitness and beer, Dominion City Brewing Co. is hosting a Snow Day Tap Takeover at LOCAL Lansdowne featuring a patio-sized curling rink.
- Beau's FeBREWary continues with the release of the oak-aged Vidal pale ale Iron Shirt.
- Waller Street Brewing is teasing a new brew: Tiger Milk. Details are scarce but more information can be found by saddling up at their tasting bar.
- Hit! Tooth and Nail Brewing Company teamed up with Kingston's Stone City Ales for Nautical Warfare, a hopfenlager.
- Because cold and flu season requires more vitamin C, Broadhead Brewery has released a new IPA, Tangerine Machine.

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Trudeau tries to calm waters across the pond

POLITICS

PM talks Trump, looks for common ground



PM Justin Trudeau arrives to deliver a speech at the European Parliament on Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

Fresh from his meeting in Washington, Justin Trudeau sought to bring Europe a message of reassurance Thursday about the anxiety it faces over Donald Trump's antipathy towards the continent.

Trudeau's recent visit to the White House, kicking off a whirlwind week of international travel, was closely watched in the European Union, which endured another round of bashing this week from Trump's pick for ambassador to Brussels.

Trudeau's host, Antonio Tajani, the president of the European Parliament, said Europe views Canada as an important bridge builder in its attempt to forge positive relations with the United States.

"It's easier for the Canadians to speak to the Americans," Tajani said, seated next to Trudeau at their joint press conference in Strasbourg, France, the seat of the bloc's 28-country parliament.

The Trump-Trudeau meeting on Monday "paved the way for better relations between European Union and the United States of America," Tajani said.

Trudeau elaborated on his meeting with Trump, saying the two are seeking common ground to help the middle classes of their two countries prosper.

"What I saw from the American president was a focus on getting things done for the people who supported him and who believe in him, while demonstrating that good relations with one's neighbours is a great way of getting things done," said Trudeau.

Trudeau said the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement with Europe would likely be ratified by Canada by the spring and that's when working people would begin to see the benefits of trade deals.

"If we are successful, CETA will become the blueprint for all ambitious, future trade deals. If we are not, this could well be one of the last."

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PARLIAMENT

Sohi gets the last laugh: 'I'm very proud'



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

Minister of Infrastructure Amarjeet Sohi says he is nothing but proud of his background, a day after a reference to his past as an Edmonton bus driver drew laughter in the House of Commons.

"I'm very proud that — that I was a bus driver serving my community and transporting moms to, you know, when they take their children to daycare or taking students to school," Sohi told reporters in Ottawa Thursday.

"We all come from different backgrounds, and my background is what I'm proud of."

Sohi, who also served two terms on Edmonton's city council, brought up his experience as a transit operator while discussing the death of Irvine Fraser, the driver recently killed in Winnipeg.

In a video taken in the House laughter could be heard coming from the opposition.

"Obviously, I did notice the laughter, but I was there to convey a very, very important message, and that message was to show our support and thoughts and prayers with the person who was stabbed while serving his community," Sohi said.

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Minister of Infrastructure Amarjeet Sohi. THE CANADIAN PRESS

COURT

Garland found guilty in deaths of 5-year-old boy and grandparents



Lucie Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

Douglas Garland has been found guilty on all three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of five-year-old Nathan O'Brien and his grandparents Kathy and Alvin Liknes.

Garland, 57, who was on trial over the last five weeks, was found guilty by a jury of 12 Calgarians Thursday. The jury deliberated their decision for just over 8 hours.

Family members of the victims wept as the verdicts were read out in court.

Ten of the jurors suggested the three 25-year sentences be served consecutively, for a total of 75 years. Two had no opinion on the matter.

In the summer of 2014 an Amber Alert gripped the city as citizens held their collective breath — hoping for the safe return of Nathan and his grandparents. Nathan's mother, Jennifer O'Brien, discovered the bloody crime scene and her parents and son missing the morning of June 30, 2014 — prompting police to open an exhaustive investigation that would span days, months and years.

The Crown told jurors in their opening statement of how Garland held a "petty grudge" against Alvin Liknes over a patent on an oil and gas pump he'd worked on before being fired in 2007.

The culmination of the all-encompassing investigation lead by the Calgary Police Service — that brought in resources including the RCMP and CBSA — was revealed to Calgarians through testimony from 48 witnesses and the submission of 89 exhibits.

ONTARIO

Indigenous community grapples with two tragedies

Aboriginal leaders say indigenous artist Moses Beaver has died under what they are calling unexplained circumstances.

Beaver, a renowned Woodlands artist, is believed to have died in a jail in Thunder Bay, Ont., Nishnawbe Aski Nation Grand Chief Alvin Fiddler and Nibinamik First Nation Chief Johnny Yellowhead said Thursday in a statement.

Ontario's Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services said a male inmate was found unresponsive in his cell at the Thunder Bay jail on Monday night.

Paramedics were called and the inmate was pronounced dead at a hospital, spokesman Andrew Morrison said in an email. Morrison said the matter is under investigation, but gave no other details.

Regional coroner Dr. Michael Wilson said the man who died had been in custody "for a while," but could give no details. Wilson said he had spoken with Yellowhead about the death.

Yellowhead said Beaver had struggled with mental health issues for many years.

"We do not understand why he was in custody or the circumstances that led to his death," Yellowhead said. "It is clear that Moses needed professional help and a psychiatric assessment, and we demand to know why this didn't happen."

Fiddler called the circumstances of the death "troubling."

"We will demand an investigation into the circumstances around his passing," he said.

Beaver's sister, Mary Wabasse, died Wednesday in a collision in Thunder Bay as she was travelling to comfort family members and make funeral arrangements for her brother, Fiddler and Yellowhead added.

"Our community had barely begun to mourn his loss when the news came that his sister Mary was killed in an accident," Yellowhead said.

The Lake Superior Art Gallery in Thunder Bay says on its website that Beaver was a self-taught artist who worked with acrylic on canvas, Indian Ink on paper and watercolour, and calls his use of colour "revealing." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Revised muslim ban coming soon

COURT

Feds ask for stay in legal proceedings, plan changes



U.S. President Donald Trump calls on a reporter during a news conference where he said he would not 'back down from defending our country.' GETTY IMAGES

The Trump administration said in court documents on Thursday it wants a pause in the legal fight over its ban on travellers from seven predominantly Muslim nations, so it can issue a replacement ban as it strives to protect the nation from terrorism.

Details of the new proposal were not provided in the filing or at a wide-ranging news conference by Trump. But lawyers for the administration said in the filing that a ban that focuses solely on foreigners who have never entered the U.S. — instead of green card holders already in the U.S. or who have travelled abroad and want to return — would pose no legal difficulties.

"In so doing, the president will clear the way for immediately protecting the country rather than pursuing further, potentially time-consuming litigation," the filing said.

Trump said at the news conference that a new order would come next week.

"I will not back down from defending our country. I got elected on defence of our country," he said.

The administration asked the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to hold off on making any more decisions related to the lawsuit filed by the states of Washington and Minnesota until the new order is issued and then toss out the decision keeping the ban on hold.

Washington state Attorney General Bob Ferguson said the federal government was "conceding defeat" by saying it does not want a larger appellate panel to review the decision made last week by a three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit. The judges rejected the Trump administration's claim of presidential authority and questioned its motives in ordering the ban.

The administration attacked the decision in Thursday's court filing, saying the panel wrongly suggested some foreigners were entitled to constitutional protections and that courts could consider Trump's campaign statements about a ban.

The lawsuit says the ban unconstitutionally blocked entry to the U.S. on the basis of religion and harmed residents, universities and sales tax revenue in the two states. Eighteen other states, including California and New York, supported the challenge.

The appeals court had asked the Trump administration and Washington and Minnesota to file arguments by Thursday on whether a larger panel of 9th Circuit judges should rehear the case. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The leaks are real. But the news about them is fake. The White House is a fine-tuned machine. Russia is a ruse.

Donald Trump's first solo news conference as president has no rivals in recent memory. For all the trappings of the White House and traditions of the forum, his performance was one of a swaggering, blustery campaigner, armed with grievances and primed to unload on his favourite targets.

In nearly an hour and a half at the podium, Trump bullied reporters, dismissed facts and then cracked a few caustic jokes — a combination that once made the candidate irresistible cable TV fodder. He went even further, blaming the media for all but sinking his not-yet-launched attempt to "make a deal" with Moscow.

This was his and his aides' attempt to get the boss his groove back. Trump used the event to try to claw his administration back from the brink after a defeat in court and the resignation of his top national security adviser.

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Edelman's trust barometer, published this week, shows in polling what anyone paying attention has already seen: Canada is going the way of the U.K., the U.S., and France in tilting dangerously towards a populist moment. Like our Western neighbours, "trust in business, media, and the government is in trouble."

Everyone living in such period of dramatic change, especially technological, could be forgiven for being fearful. But anyone willing to use their fear to prop up a xenophobic nationalism is, well, less forgivable.

One way to tell if you're among the latter is via a simple test: Muslims. As in: Are you afraid of them? As in: Did the Quebec mosque shooting fill you with dread, until you learned it was committed by a young white man with white supremacist, populist ideas?

In the U.S., people don't worry so much about how toddlers with guns accidentally killing people, or the hundreds of white supremacist hate groups, or the one in five women who've been raped or seriously assaulted by a partner, according to the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention.

Those, we understand, are truly dangers, and need not warrant fear. But Muslims? The cultivated terror of them can land you in the White House. Hence Trump's Muslim ban campaign promise.

The sad fact is that we are often wrong. Admitting that is the only route to progress. It's called learning. Now, for many, learning just doesn't compare to digging in. To denouncing institutions so that you can denounce their facts. To diminishing your own sphere of influence until the only person you trust is yourself.

Donald Trump campaigned on the idea that he was his own best advisor. A lot of people found that preposterous. But far too many nodded along.

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'Employers and workers standing together' to support immigrants

ACTIVISM!

> Businesses cannot function without immigrant workers today.
> Janet Murguia

The heart of Philadelphia's Italian Market was uncommonly quiet. Fine restaurants in New York, San Francisco and the nation's capital closed for the day. Grocery stores, food trucks, coffee shops, diners and taco joints in places like Chicago, Los Angeles and Boston shut down.

Immigrants around the U.S. stayed home from work and school Thursday to demonstrate how important they are to America's economy, and many businesses closed in solidarity, in a nationwide protest called A Day Without Immigrants.

The boycott was aimed squarely at President Donald Trump's efforts to step up deportations, build a wall at the Mexican border and close the nation's doors to many travellers. Organizers said they expected thousands to participate or otherwise show support.

The protest even reached into the U.S. Capitol, where a Senate coffee shop was among the eateries that were closed as employees did not show up at work.

Organizers appealed to immigrants from all walks of life to take part, but the effects were felt most strongly in the restaurant industry, which has long been a first step up the economic ladder for newcomers to America with its many jobs for cooks, dishwashers and servers. Restaurant owners with immigrant roots of their own were among those acting in solidarity with workers.

Expensive restaurants and fast-food joints alike closed, some perhaps because they had no choice, others because of what they said was sympathy for their immigrant employees.

"The really important dynamic to note is this is not antagonistic, employee-against-employer," said Janet Murguia, president of the Hispanic rights group National Council of La Raza. "This is employers and workers standing together, not in conflict."

She said: "Businesses cannot function without immigrant workers today." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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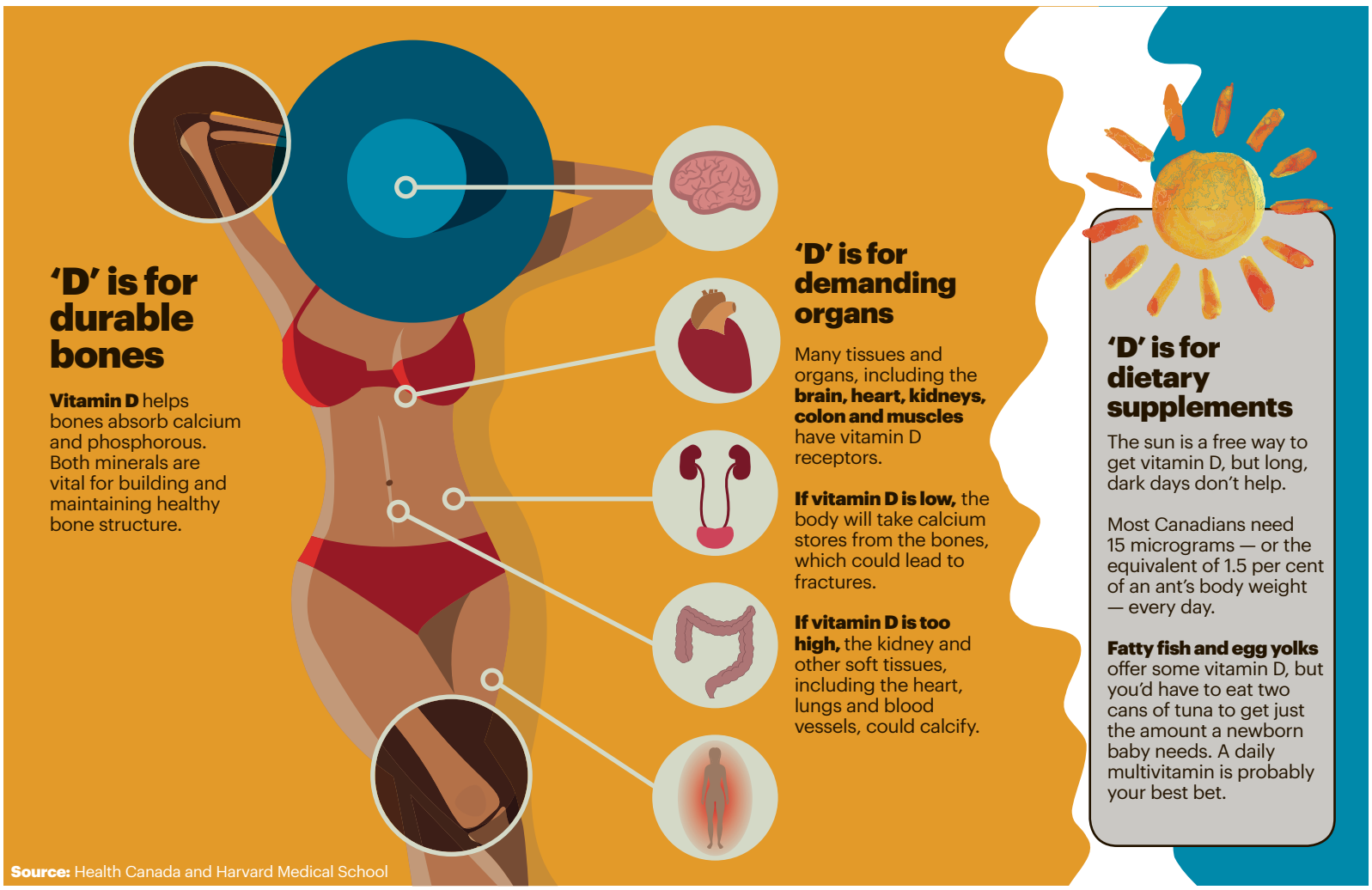


Goats know what's up: The barnyard animals can recognize their friends by sound and sight, a new study says.

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Soaking up the sunshine vitamin. As post-secondary students head off on spring break down south and the rest of us look forward to warmer weather (any minute now), we look at the science behind vitamin D, one of the nutrients your body needs most.



Source: Health Canada and Harvard Medical School

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Harvard, MIT hang on to lucrative gene-editing patent

In a highly anticipated decision that could sway the fortunes of a handful of biotechnology companies, the U.S. federal patent office has turned back a challenge to patents covering a widely used method for editing genes.

The office's board of appeals ruled Wednesday that the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard can keep patents it had been awarded for a technique called CRISPR that lets scientists alter DNA within cells.

It turned back a challenge from the University of California, Berkeley. The school had filed its own CRISPR patent application in 2012 a few months before the Broad institute, but the Broad got its patents approved while Berkeley's application is pending.

The financial implications are huge, since CRISPR may lead to many lucrative products in medicine, agriculture and elsewhere. One company that has licensed Broad's technology, Editas Medicine Inc., saw its shares jump by 29 per cent Wednesday.

In a statement, Berkeley said it respects the ruling, but that it will "carefully consider all options for possible next steps in this legal process, including the possibility of an appeal."

The patent dispute involved work led by Feng Zhang of the Broad Institute and Jennifer Doudna and Emmanuelle Charpentier at Berkeley.

Lawyers for Berkeley maintained that Doudna and Charpentier were the first to invent CRISPR for use in all settings. They said the work at Broad, which showed how to use CRISPR in the relatively complex cells of plants, people and other animals, wasn't enough of an advance beyond the Berkeley work to warrant its own patents.

The appeals board, however, concluded that the Broad work was not simply an obvious extension of the research described in the Berkeley patent application. So Broad's patent coverage is different from Berkeley's, the board ruled.

Jacob Sherkow, who specializes in patent law for matters of biological sciences at the New York Law School, said he thinks it would be worthwhile for Berkeley to take the matter to a federal appeals court.

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FINDINGS
Your week in science



Stars, they're just like us Astronomers spotted an exploding star just hours after its eruption, giving a rare glimpse at its final moments. Until now the explosion itself was considered the first sign of the end, but it looks like they do not go quietly — in this case belching gas as it neared death.

Unbalanced diet French hamsters ate their babies alive when fed a corn-heavy diet, researchers have found. The study was looking for downsides of limited crop availability. Downside, check.

SOUND SMART



DEFINITION
Neoteny describes a stunted adulthood, where grown members of a species still hold youthful traits and behaviours, and in turn the young can perform adult functions, like reproduce.

USE IT IN A SENTENCE
"Talk about neoteny! Cheryl's 45-year-old son has booked a spring break trip to Disneyland with 26 of his closest friends."

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by Jason Logan



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Charlie Day and Ice Cube play two teachers who brawl in a high school parking lot in Fist Fight. CONTRIBUTED

Get schooled on teen movies

IN FOCUS

Fist Fight the latest study on culture of the student body

Richard Crouse
For Metro Canada



Fist Fight features so much bad language it completely outpaces f-word aficionados Tarantino and Scorsese combined. Accompanying the cussing are bad behaviour, violence and loads of oh-no-he-didn't jokes all set against the backdrop of the end of semester at the rough-'n'-tumble Roosevelt High School.

Trying to hang on until the final bell rings are well-meaning English teacher Andy Campbell (Charlie Day) and Ron Strickland (Ice Cube), the world's toughest history teacher. When Campbell accidentally gets Strickland fired a bad day goes from crappy to cruddy. "I'm going to fight you," the amped-up Strickland says, looking for some street justice. "After school, meet me in the parking lot."

As the #teacherfight spreads across social media, a crowd gathers in the parking lot to witness the carnage. After some hand-to-hand combat Campbell and Strickland come to terms with one another, learning important lessons with each punch.

My grade nine homeroom teacher Mrs. Armstrong wouldn't recognize Roosevelt High as the kind of school she taught in, but it's familiar territory for Hollywood, which has long used school hallways as a study of teen life. Relationships between students and teachers have fuelled movies like Blackboard Jungle and To Sir with Love, but just as interesting is the culture of the student body.

John Hughes mined the teenage dynamic for all it was worth in a series of classic teen operas like Sixteen Candles, but it's The Breakfast Club that remains his most insightful look at high school life. The story is simple: five high school archetypes — the jock, the mean girl, the brainiac, the rebel and the outsider — thrown together during a nine-hour Saturday detention become unlikely friends, revealing their innermost secrets. "We're all pretty bizarre," says Andrew (Emilio Estevez). "Some of us are just better at hiding it, that's all."

It's the emotional intensity of The Breakfast Club that makes it one of the most insightful high school films ever. Thirty-two years after its release it still feels fresh, but for my money one of the best looks at life in the halls comes from Emma Stone's film Easy A.

The movie begins with the voiceover, "The rumours of my promiscuity have been greatly exaggerated." It's Olive (Stone), a clean-cut high school senior who tells a little white lie about losing her virginity. When the gossip mill gets a hold of the info, her life takes a parallel course to the heroine of the book she is studying in English class — The Scarlet Letter. At first she embraces her newfound notoriety; after all she had been all but invisible at the beginning of the school year. It isn't until the lies and gossip start to spin out of control that she has to assert her virginity.

All the best high school movies — Election, Heathers, Dazed and Confused and Mean Girls — share that sentiment. The names, schools and places may change but it is the labours of students and teachers, like Fist Fight's Andy Campbell and Ron Strickland, to find themselves and figure out what it all means that makes them interesting and relatable. As we learned studying Aristotle in philosophy class, "Knowing yourself is the beginning of all wisdom," and, in Hollywood's case, entertainment too.

MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

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Paquin's dark and twisty CBC role

INTERVIEW

Actress plays a fearless detective in Bellevue

Melita Kuburas
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Anna Paquin likes playing women who are free to make mistakes. Her latest character makes a lot of them.

In CBC's upcoming serialized thriller Bellevue (debuting Monday, Feb. 20 at 9 p.m.) Paquin portrays Annie Ryder, a woman who approaches her job as a detective without much care for her personal safety. To get closer to a source, she gets drunk and high with him in a hotel room; she has a creepy stalker, yet she follows his clues alone to a dark shed in the woods.

"She's brave in a way that comes from being quite reckless with her own well-being and not ultimately necessarily being that attached to her own life in some ways," Paquin tells Metro in a recent interview in Toronto.

The show follows the 28-year-old single mom in this small, Canadian mining town as she tries to locate a missing teenager — a transgender star hockey player. But the case appears to be related to a murder that occurred in Bellevue (a fictional town, but the show was shot in Quebec) 20 years earlier, and is linked to the suicide of Annie Ryder's father.

"I think that the trauma of having been a kid whose parent committed suicide — and obviously that's not a situation I know anything about personally — but certainly that seems to track as far as Annie having been a bit careless in the way that she lives her life. She doesn't always act like the stereotypical perfect cop or parent," Paquin says.

In other words, she's a decent human making some bad choices, which, for those who have followed Paquin's career, might sound familiar.

The Oscar winner spent six years on HBO's True Blood playing a sunny Louisiana waitress who falls into one dangerous situation after another, thanks to her romantic relationships with vampires. Trade in the Keds and mini skirts for black boots and a cargo jacket, and you get Annie Ryder, a kind of Canadian Sookie Stackhouse. It's exactly the type of flawed female protagonist Paquin is drawn to.



Anna Paquin and Shawn Doyle play detectives looking for a missing teen hockey player in CBC's Bellevue, debuting Monday, Feb. 20 at 9 p.m. HANDOUT

"If female characters make questionable choices in some aspects of their lives or their parenting, there's an amazing tendency or need to then punish that character. And it doesn't really happen in male plotlines," Paquin says.

Bellevue deals with some dark aspects of humanity — betrayal, substance abuse, murder — but it doesn't do so in a didactic, "message-y" kind of way, says Paquin.

"I think that entertainment has a tendency to put women into very defined boxes. I personally found that really boring to watch, and even more boring to do."

WAY OF LIFE

Small-town struggle familiar to actor

Shawn Doyle, who plays the police chief in CBC's Bellevue, understands the small-town struggle too well. The actor (House of Cards, Big Love) grew up in Wabush, Labrador, an iron ore mining town that was constantly under threat of the industry going bust, as it does in the show.

"My parents sold their house back to the company for $5,000 when we left," says Doyle, who now has a house in Toronto.

Wabush became a boomtown again, however the mines closed in 2014 devastating the local economy. "Now there are all these people who not only are they upside down on their mortgages and will never get money back for the houses that they bought, but they're homeless. It's a really devastating situation," Doyle says.

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5 WAYS TO CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS

New Orleans is entering the height of its pre-Lenten Carnival season, culminating on Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday, which falls on Feb. 28 this year. Visitors face an abundance of choices on how to take it all in. Revel in the bawdy French Quarter or catch a parade? March in a parade? Wear a costume? Do it all? THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



1 Watch a parade

There are dozens of New Orleans area parades. The major ones, with marching bands and masked riders who throw beads and trinkets from elaborate floats, begin this year on Feb. 17. Most follow a route along historic St. Charles Avenue onto Canal Street, the broad downtown boulevard at the edge of the French Quarter — although the giant floats of Endymion, the celebrity-studded procession set for Feb. 25, lumber through the Mid-City neighbourhood.

Often overlooked are the smaller processions. For instance, Krewe du Vieux's satirical and raunchy parade with smaller, hand-drawn floats rolls through the French Quarter and neighbouring areas on Feb. 11. A week later, sci-fi, fantasy and horror fans don costumes evoking a variety of pop culture icons from Ewoks to zombies for the Intergalactic Krewe of Chewbacchus and stroll through Marigny.



2 Be in a parade

Getting a spot in a Carnival parade is the ultimate participatory experience. Some of the old-line parade "krewes" are famous for their exclusivity but others are open to anyone who can afford it, although spots are limited and should be reserved in advance. Costs include membership fees, costumes and "throws" (beads, little stuffed toys, etc.).



3 See the costumes

Mardi Gras is one big costume party. Some outfits are simple: multi-colored wigs, glittery masks, oversized hats. Others are elaborate: shimmering bodysuits with feather headdresses fanning out like peacock tails. Find the most intricate and outrageous on display at the annual Bourbon Street awards at the intersection of Bourbon and St. Ann.



4 Wear a costume

Feathered masks, funny hats and boas are available at souvenir shops and from vendors along the parade route. Many visitors make their own. In 2011, coveralls splotched with black were among the outfits lampooning BP after the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. Still others go for professionally made store-bought or rented regalia.



5 Behave yourself

Mardi Gras takes place in a city famous for all-night bars and drinking in the streets but there are limits. More than 170 state troopers will supplement the nearly 1,200-member police force. Last year, 334 arrests were reported in the 10 days leading up to Mardi Gras along the parade route and in the police disctrict that at includes the French Quarter.



TRAVEL NOTES



Caribbean sets tourism record

Caribbean tourism officials say the region received a record number of visitors last year as arrivals topped 29 million.

With a majority of visitors coming from the U.S., officials expect a slight drop in tourism due to uncertainty surrounding actions the president may take. The region also saw growth in visitors from Europe and the U.K. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

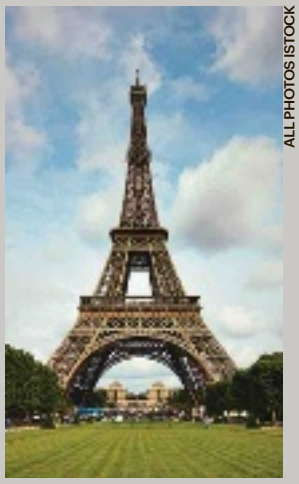
Disney Dream wins Cruise Critic award

The cruise ship Disney Dream won best overall large ship for the third consecutive year in the Cruise Critic Cruisers' Choice Awards.

The awards are based on ratings submitted with thousands of reviews to CruiseCritic.com from travellers during a 12-month period. Disney Cruise Line scored tops in eight categories.

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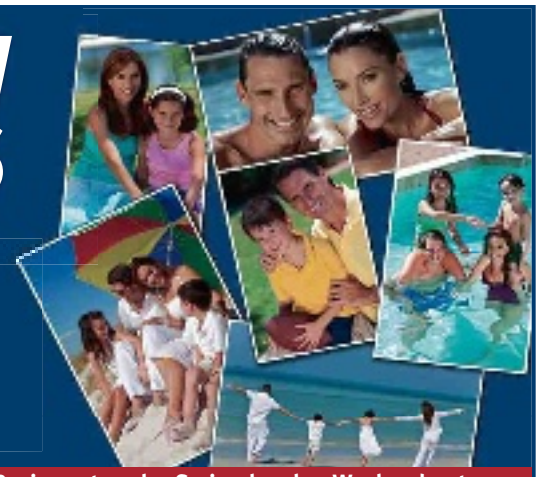
Eiffel Tower getting a makeover

Paris authorities say they want to replace the metal security fencing around the Eiffel Tower with a more visually appealing glass wall. The proposal will be examined by the city's sites commission and then needs approval from the environment ministry. The proposal is part of a $418 million project to modernize the 128-year-old tower.

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Shane Battier is returning to the Miami Heat as a member of the front office in the new role of director of basketball development and analytics

Russ and KD reunite at All-Star Weekend

NBA

Seemingly bad blood between ex-teammates still lingers



Kevin Durant and the Warriors have beaten Russell Westbrook and the Thunder in each of their three meetings this season. EZRA SHAW/GETTY IMAGES

The next time Russell Westbrook walks into a locker-room to get dressed for a game, Kevin Durant will be there and donning the same uniform.

Get ready for perhaps the best subplot of All-Star Weekend.

Russ and KD, together again.

The former Oklahoma City teammates are going to be Western Conference teammates on Sunday night when the league holds its annual All-Star Game in New Orleans. And after the Thunder went into the break by beating the New York Knicks on Wednesday night, the inevitable question was posed to Westbrook: Are you ready for this?

"I'm excited about All-Star Weekend," said Westbrook, the two-time reigning All-Star MVP. "I think in general, just being able to be there and enjoy the opportunity ... humbled by the opportunity to be there."

So the question was sidestepped.

It'll get asked to both Westbrook and Durant again — likely many, many times — over the coming days.

They've been on the same court together three times this season, Durant and his new Golden State Warriors teammates beating Westbrook and the Thunder all three times — most recently last weekend in Oklahoma City, when Durant and Westbrook went 1-on-1 at times and even jawed at each other a bit during the game.

This will be different.

Probably awkward, too.

"I don't know," Westbrook said. "We're going to find out."

It was the breakup that shook the NBA last summer: Durant left Oklahoma City as a free agent and chose to sign with Golden State, a team that won the NBA title in 2015, went to The Finals again last season and has the league's best record this season. The Warriors already were a super team, and then they landed another superstar.

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Four Warriors have been named all-stars: Durant, Stephen Curry, Klay Thompson and Draymond Green. Steve Kerr will coach the West.

Durant insists he tries to ignore anyone who criticized his decision.

"I define my career, at the end of the day," Durant said. "And it's pretty damn good so far."

Durant and Westbrook had great seasons with the Thunder, even getting to the 2012 NBA Finals where they lost to Miami in five games, but never were able to hoist a championship banner together.

So Durant moved on, and their relationship — whatever it was — essentially ended.

"He plays for his team. I play for my team," Westbrook said. "Let him do his thing. I do my thing. And that's it, plain and simple." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOCCER

Rozeboom named Fury's new captain

Midfielder Lance Rozeboom has been named the third captain in Ottawa Fury FC history.

The 27-year-old American succeeds the retired Julian De Guzman, who is now an Ottawa assistant coach. Richie Ryan was the first captain for the Fury, who have moved to the USL from the NASL this season and are now affiliated with the Montreal Impact.

> **He's not just the captain I want, but who his teammates want.**
> Fury coach Paul Dalglish

Rozeboom previously captained the Austin Aztex in 2015 under current Ottawa coach Paul Dalglish.

"Lance is a fantastic leader and he epitomizes everything we want from the captain of our club," Dalglish said in a statement.

Rozeboom led Ottawa last season in minutes played (2,711). THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Canada showing its might at Four Continents event

Canada's Gabrielle Daleman and Kaetlyn Osmond dominated the women's short program at the ISU Four Continents figure skating championships on Thursday in Pyeongchang, South Korea.

Daleman leads after scoring 68.25 points. Osmond (68.21) is in second.

Canada's Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir also lead after the short program in ice dance. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Slash on linesman nets Vermette 10-game ban

Anaheim Ducks forward Antoine Vermette was suspended for 10 games on Thursday for slashing a linesman in apparent anger after a faceoff.

Vermette slapped his stick against the back of linesman Shandor Alphonso's legs after losing a faceoff to Minnesota's Mikko Koivu during the Ducks' 1-0 win Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Latos joins Jays, attends spring-training camp

The Toronto Blue Jays signed right-hander Mat Latos to a minor-league deal Thursday with an invitation to major-league camp.

Latos spent last season with the Chicago White Sox and Washington Nationals. He posted a 7-3 record with a 4.89 earned-run average and 42 strikeouts.

The eight-year veteran has 186 career starts under his belt. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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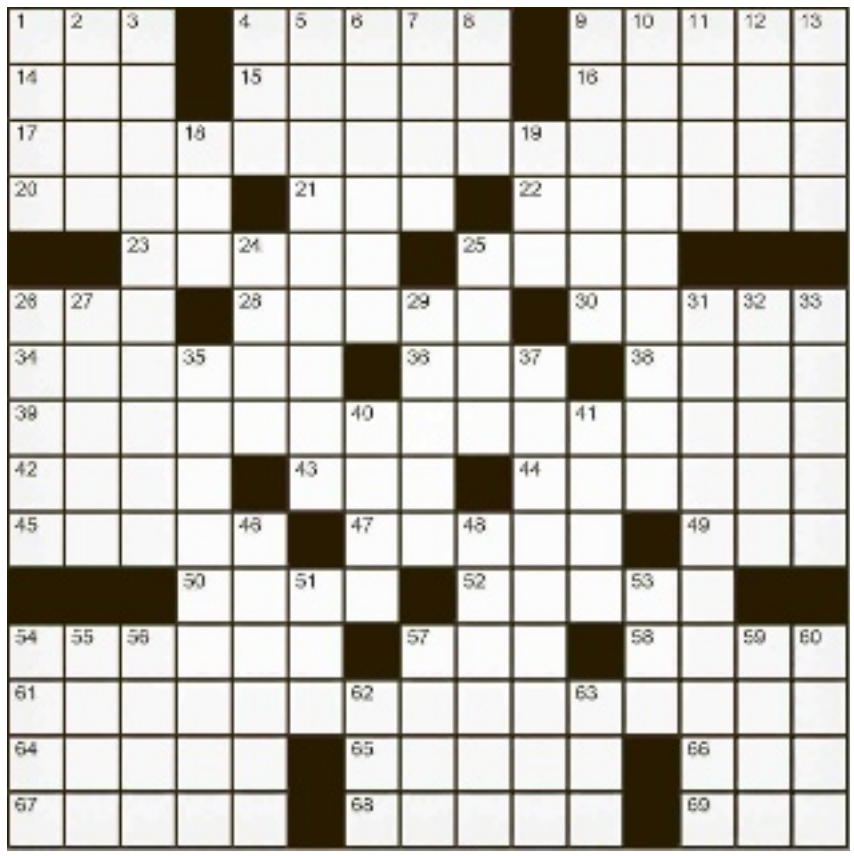
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- 1/2 cup apple cider or water
- 3/4 cup pear purée
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1. Preheat oven to 400.
2. Place squash, shallots, carrots and garlic in a large bowl and toss with olive oil and 1/4 teaspoon salt.
3. Spread vegetables in a single layer on a large, rimmed baking sheet and roast 50 to 55 minutes, or until fork tender. Let cool.
4. Place vegetables and 2 cups of vegetable broth into a blender and purée until smooth. Pour into a large saucepan over medium-low heat and stir in remaining broth, milk, water or apple cider, pear purée and remaining salt. Cook about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.
5. Serve with Greek style yogurt or sour cream.

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36. "__ Haw"
38. Celtic language
39. Modernist painters based in Montreal in the Jazz Age: 3 wds.
42. Jazz vocalist Ms. Anderson
43. '_' __ for Manitoba
44. Daunt
45. Fork-tailed sea birds
47. Less dangerous
49. Chicago trains
50. Gangster groupings
52. Castaway's new home
54. Like bits of salt
57. Paul McCartney & Wings song
58. Mr. DeLuca-Tamasi, Design Expert on "Cityline"
61. 1979 Neil Young & Crazy Horse album: 3 wds.
64. Merge
65. Sort of tie
66. Stage actress Ms. Hagen
67. Rolling Stones: "__ of Burden"
68. Submachine guns of WWII
69. Initials-sharers of the star of "Carrie" (1976)

DOWN
1. Hubbubs
2. Slangy negative
3. Shampoo category: 2 wds.
4. Fireplace's swept up residue
5. Adagio or Glissando or Pizzicato: 2 wds.
6. Gutsy
7. Malefic
8. TKO caller
9. 'The house', in Spain: 2 wds.
10. Everybody taking part in the event
11. Fargo, _. __.
12. Lucille's love
13. "The '__ 'e knows above a bit..." - Rudyard Kipling
18. Gaspe 'garlic'
19. Overseas MTV honour [acronym]
24. Medieval labourer
25. Orange's covering
26. William __ (British remixer/music producer)
27. "Superman" (1978) star Christopher
29. Tibet's capital
31. Greek Myth: Titan who gave mankind fire after stealing it from Mount Olympus
32. Regular
33. English diarist, Samuel __ (b.1633 - d.1703)
35. Holding hot roasters helpers: 2 wds.
37. Greg on "The Brady Bunch": 2 wds.
40. Angry cat's warning
41. "__, Interrupted" (1999)
46. 14-line poem
48. Cutthroat
51. "Cheerio."
53. 'Legal' suffix
54. Chuck wagon food
55. Old Scandinavian symbol
56. Laos' location
57. "Why surely you _!"
59. High-rise dwellings, for short
60. "That __ it should be."
62. '_' __ in Vernon
63. Fire dept. ranks

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Take care of banking details and redtape issues like inheritances, taxes, debt and insurance matters today. It will feel good to get some of these things out of the way.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Today the Moon is in a sign that is opposite from Taurus, which means you have to cooperate with others. This simply requires some tolerance and patience. No biggie.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Because you want to get better organized today, set aside 20 minutes to tidy up your workspace or where you live. Even a little effort will make you happy with the results.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Set aside some time today to play and have fun. Enjoy sports events, playful times with children or perhaps a fun flirtation. You need a break today!

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Home, family and real estate will be your focus today. Perhaps a conversation with a female family member (especially a parent) will be important.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You have a strong need to talk to others today. You don't want to have superficial chitchat. You want to know what's happening, and you want to share your own experiences as well.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Money, cash flow or something to do with a possession that you own will be your focus today. When it comes to money and finances, information is power.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Today the Moon is in your sign, which will make you more emotional than usual. This is why you might overreact when talking to others. Keep this in mind.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Today you will prefer to be low-key and work behind the scenes or alone. Some days we like publicity; some days we don't.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
A conversation with a female acquaintance will be important today. Perhaps you'll want to share your hopes and dreams for the future with someone.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Personal details about your private life will become public today. This is because you are having a moment that is high-viz, especially in the eyes of bosses and VIPs.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Do something different today. Shake up your routine to satisfy your urge for a little adventure. You also want to learn something new

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